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E.O. 11652: XGDS1  
TAGS:  
SUBJECT: CANCELLATION OF ABC TV FILM ON PRC

1. ABC BUREAU CHIEF REPORTED HIS HOUR-LONG DOCUMENTARY, "PEOPLE TO PEOPLE'S CHINA," SCHEDULED FOR LOCAL HONG KONG TELECAST APRIL 24 WAS ABRUPTLY CANCELLED DAY BEFORE. RTV DEPUTY REPORTEDLY SAID DECISION WAS MADE AFTER PRESSURE PUT ON STATION BY GOVERNOR'S OFFICE AND LOCAL PRC NEW CHINA NEWS AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES. HKG ALSO REPORTEDLY TOOK MATTER UP WITH FOREIGN OFFICE AND TO DEPARTMENT OF STATE IN WASHINGTON.

2. RTV DEPUTY SAID NCNA REPS THREATENED ECONOMIC REPRISALS IF FILM NOT CANCELLED, BUT DID NOT ELABORATE. SAME NCNA REPS HAD SEEN FILM SOMETIME EARLIER AND OBJECTED ONLY TO USE OF TERM "FREEDOM" SWIMMERS IN NARRATIVE. PRC DELEGATION AT UN ALSO SHOWN FILM, BUT RAISED NO OBJECTIONS.

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